

Constructivism in the Classroom

A focus on 21st century learning

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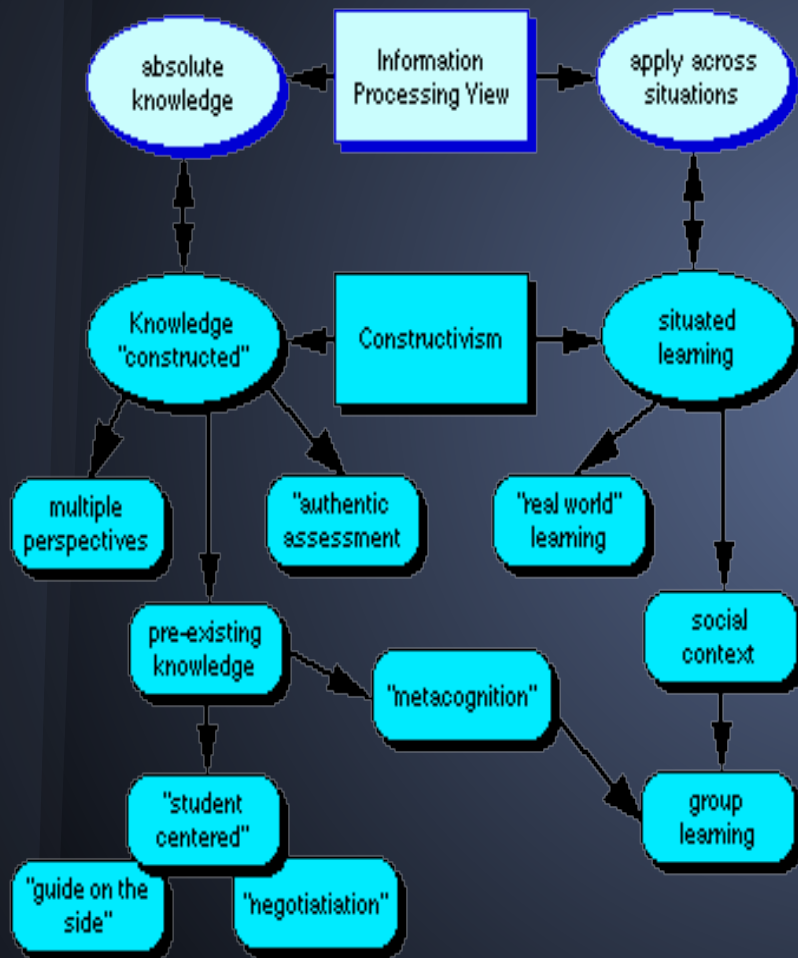
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Explanation/Definition-Hillary

- Constructivism is a theory about how people learn.
- Real World, problem solving activities are what is done in the classroom.
- Important that students know the purpose and how the lesson can be implemented in real life experiences.
- Constructivism taps into and triggers the student's innate curiosity about the world and how things work.
- Active Learning

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Implement in Classroom

-Constructivist teachers propose questions to students and allow them to discuss and come to their own conclusions.



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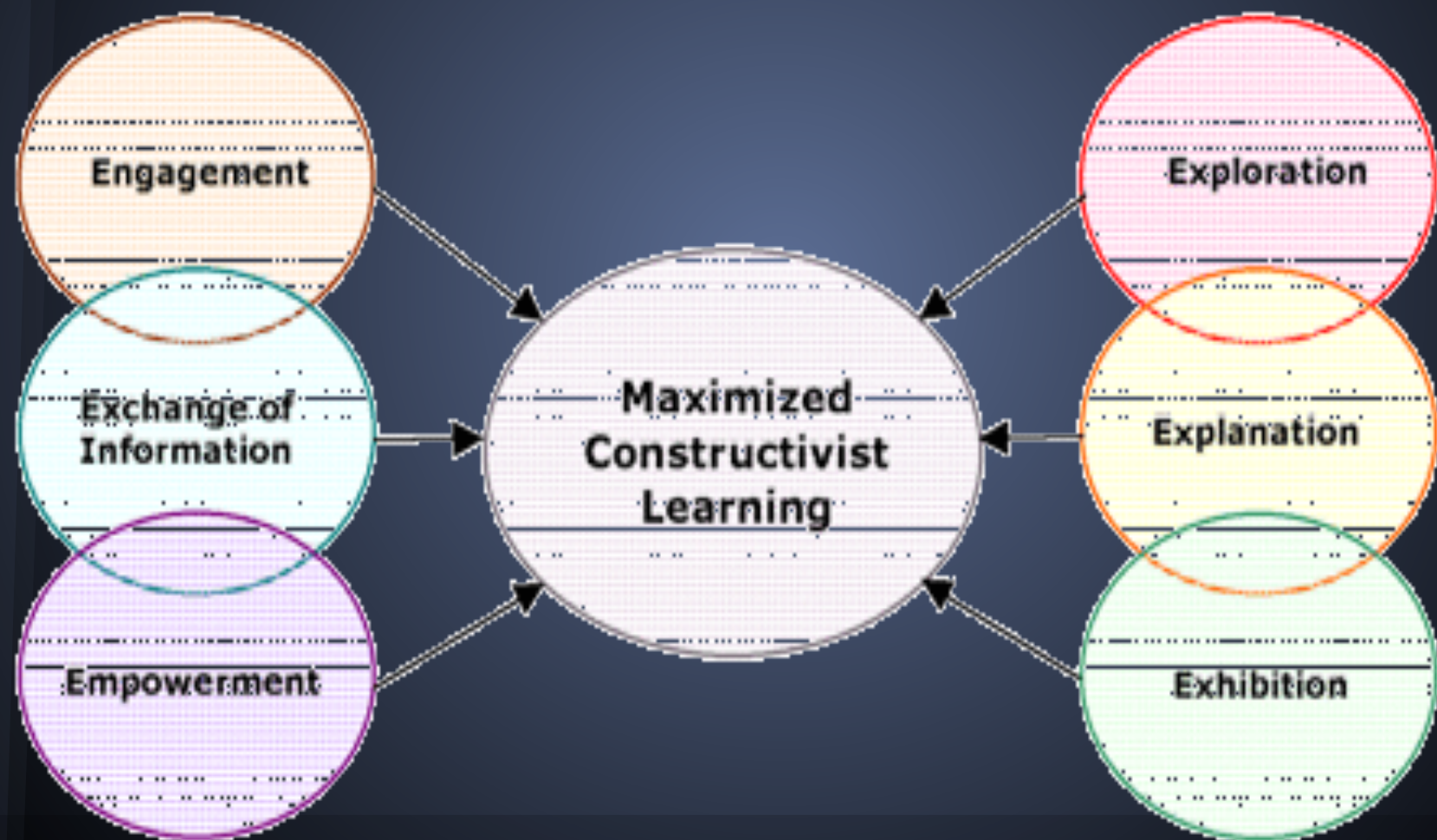
- Constructivist teachers do not stress the importance of only one answer, the journey through discussion is just as important.
- Group work is a standard as well as using their peers as resources.
- Students direct their questions at other students rather than the teacher.

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E⁶ Learning Model (Christie, 2006)

Curriculum Principles

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Benefits (Brittney)

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1. Encourages higher level thinking
2. Student centered
3. Actively engages learners
4. Offers different instruction to all learners
5. Higher retention of learned material
6. Gain in confidence of learners
7. Development of problem solving skills
8. Use of authentic activities
9. Self-management skills
10. Teamwork skills
11. encourages diversity of thought